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> Hi Jim:  
> Are there any recommendations for IGS sites on how to distribute the signal  
> from an external frequency standard to multiple receivers at a site? I presume  
> a high-isolation, low insertion loss signal splitter appropriate for the  
> frequency of the standard should be used. What if the signal, after  
> splitting, has a level below the recommended threshold for input to the  
> receiver? I presume an amplifier could be used. Any recommendations as to  
> which type?  
> Thanks for any pointers.  
> -- Richard  
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Hi Richard,

Chris Ekstrom, a timing colleague, recommends SpectraDynamics, Inc.  
(<http://www.spectradynamics.com/>) for such applications. In particular,  
their High Performance Distribution Amplifier (HPDA) should be fully  
satisfactory, for a signal range of 1 to 20 MHz -- see  
<http://www.spectradynamics.com/HPDA.shtml>  
In addition to adding an exceptionally low amount of phase noise, the  
temperature sensitivity is only a few ps/C.

Best of luck,  
--Jim